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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: J. Brier
HIDEAKI OHSHIMA et al.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2672
Application No.: 09/176,274)	
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Filed: October 21, 1998)	
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING)	
APPARATUS AND METHOD,	:	
AND COMPUTER-READABLE)	
MEMORY	:	October 6, 2003

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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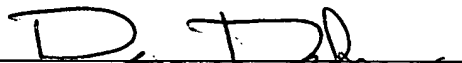
Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated January 22, 2003, a Notice Of Appeal having been timely filed on July 18, 2003, for one month from September 18, 2003 to October 18, 2003.

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Submitted herewith is a check for \$110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,


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